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TAGS: ETRD, EC, EAGR

SUBJECT: COMMISSION PROPOSAL TO TAX VEGETABLE
FATS AND OILS

REF: LONDON 10894

1. DURING AMBASSADOR WALKER'S JULY 14-15 VISIT TO
LONDON, HE RAISED THE EC COMMISSION'S OIL TAX PROPOSAL
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WITH SECRETARY OF STATE FOR TRADE DELL AND FCO MINISTER

OF STATE HATTERSLEY. DELL MADE NO RESPONSE. HOWEVER, HATTERSLEY SAID HE HAD BEEN DISCUSSING THE PROPOSAL WITH MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE PEART, WHO OPPOSED IT. HATTERSLEY DESCRIBED THE PROPOSAL AS "MONSTROUS" AND "EXCRUCIATINGLY CHARACTERISTIC OF THE WORST FEATURES OF THE CAP."

2. THE LONDON QUALITY PRESS GAVE EXTENDED COVERAGE TO AMBASSADOR WALKER'S PRESS CONFERENCE OF JULY 14. IN WHICH HE DISCUSSED THE PROPOSAL; THE TIMES, THE FINANCIAL TIMES, AND THE GUARDIAN ALL CHARACTERIZED AMBASSADOR WALKER'S STATEMENTS ON THE OIL TAX AS A "WARNING" THAT THE TAX COULD SERIOUSLY JEOPARDIZE RELATIONS BETWEEN THE EC AND THE US.

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